

First responders are on the front line of homeland security, keeping our communities safe and our nation secure. We must ensure they are able to provide the best and safest response to our communities in times of emergency. That is why I helped secure more than \$500,000 in grants from the Department of Homeland Security to help upgrade six fire departments in the 10th District: Mount Prospect, Lake Forest, Lake Bluff, Arlington Heights, Highland Park and Northfield. The Assistance to Firefighters Grants will provide our first responders with updated emergency equipment, healthier work environments and greater protection in emergency situations.